

selected from the group consisting of dilation profile, transition profile and finishing profile, from the laminate coated carrier.--

B¹ [Please cancel claim 2 without disclaimer or prejudice in favor of new claim 8 as follows.]

--8. The process according to claim ¹~~7~~ comprising providing a water resistant carrier as the carrier.--

Claim 3, line 1, change "1" to --7--; delete "consist";

line 2, change "of" to --comprises--;

line 3, delete "preferably melamine-formaldehyde resin" and "preferably";

line 4, change "for instance consisting of" to --comprising--; and

line 5, delete "preferably".

Claim 4, line 1, change "1" to --7--;

line 2, delete ", so-called";

line 3, after "resin" insert a --.-- and delete "preferably melamine-";

line 4, delete in its entirety.

Please cancel claim 5 without prejudice or disclaimer in favor of new claim 9 as follows:

C² B² --9. The process according to claim ¹~~7~~ wherein the thin decorative thermosetting laminate of postforming quality comprises at least one paper sheet impregnated with a thermosetting resin and at least the upper most sheet of said thin decorative thermosetting laminate being coated with hard particles selected from the group consisting of silica, aluminum oxide, silicon carbide and combinations thereof, having an average particle size of 1-80 μm , evenly distributed over the surface of the paper sheet.--

Claim 6, line 1, change "1" to --7--;

line 2, change "," to a --.-- and delete the remainder of line 2.

Please add new claims 10-14 as follows:

--10. Process according to claim ⁷~~7~~, wherein the glueing step is carried out under heat and pressure.

⁸~~11~~. Process according to claim ³~~4~~, wherein the overlay is impregnated with melamine-formaldehyde resin.

⁹~~12~~. Process according to claim ⁴~~6~~, wherein the IP-value lies within the interval 3000-10000 revolutions.

¹⁰~~13~~. Process according to claim ⁶~~8~~, wherein the average particle size is about 5-60 μm .

¹¹~~14~~. The product produced by the process of claim ¹~~7~~--.

REMARKS

By the foregoing Amendment, Applicant has substantially amended the claims so as to overcome the various objections to the original claims 1-6 under 35 USC 112, 2nd paragraph. Accordingly, by the foregoing Amendment, claims 1 and 2 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer in favor of new claim 7 and 8, respectively. Claim 5 has been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer in favor of new claim 9. Claims 3, 4 and 6 have been amended so as to delete the allegedly objectionable terms and new claims 10-14 have been added to recapture the subject matter deleted from original claims 1-6 and to claim a product found by the process of claim 7.

With regard to the term "IP value", such a term is a term of art for abrasion resistance with the definition being found, and the European standard being stated, in the first full paragraph on page 3 of the specification. Thus, recitation of the term "IP" in the context of abrasion resistance would be